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I think this is a great opportunity and I know based on my conversations with Erica at Arnold Foundation that PSI engagement in this program would lay the groundwork for some major future Arnold Foundation investments. I'm pretty confident we would get the award as she's been encouraging me to have PSI apply – this is the second year (we just weren't ready the first go around).

Please review the opportunity carefully and let me know your thoughts.

Best,

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Thanks Erica! I'm copying Bill Gibbons as I think this is a great opportunity for the Public Safety Institute team!

Glad you had a good call with Mark and Dr. Rudd – and the Brown connection sounds perfect! Mark filled me in a bit and I'll be looking forward to hearing about next steps and supporting any way I can.

Warm regards,

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Hi Blair,

I hope this note finds you well. I wanted to pass along an update on JPAL's state and local innovation initiative. They have just released their second request for letters of interest (see additional information below). I know that the timing was too tight to apply last year so wanted to make sure that you're aware well in advance this year.

Additionally, I had a productive call with President Rudd and Mark Sturgis a few weeks back. I introduced Dr. Rudd to Justine Hastings, Director of RIPL at Brown University and I believe they are trying to find time to connect.

Best,
Erica

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Erica,

I'm writing to share the news that the J-PAL State and Local Innovation Initiative released this week our second Request for Letters of Interest, which is open to U.S. state and local governments that are interested in developing randomized evaluations to inform their policy questions. The deadline for Letters of Interest is February 17th, 2017. You can read the full announcement on the MIT news site [here](#).

It would be great if you could share this announcement with anyone you know who might be interested, and I'd be happy to follow up or answer any questions. We will also host a webinar on December 8th at 1:00pm EST to share more information about the initiative and how to apply. Anyone interested in registering for the webinar or getting updates about this initiative can sign up [here](#).

Best wishes,

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